

Interview Summary

Person(s) Interviewed: Josh Woodyard, Acting Director, Preparedness and Response Operations Division, OEM; Terry Smith, Research Chemist, OEM; Eugene Lee, Branch Chief, Emergency Operations Center and Continuity Branch, OEM; Brian Schlieger, Team Leader, Preparedness and Removal Team, OEM. During the response to GKM Josh Woodyard and Eugene Lee served as the HQ EOC Managers, Brian Schlieger, Deputy HQ EOC Manager, and Terry Smith served in the Environmental Unit (EU).

Interviewers: Mary-Kay Lynch, Susan Studlien, Julia Burch, Scott Gordon (by phone), Eric Wilber

Date: November 19, 2015

Time: 3:00 – 5:00 pm

The OEM team was interviewed on November 19, 2015, as part of an internal EPA After-Action review of the Agency's response to the release at Gold King Mine in Colorado on August 5, 2015. Josh Woodyard was the first HQ EOC manager, and Eugene Lee switched off with him after that. Terry Smith was responsible for data interpretation and management. Brian Schlieger was the HQ Deputy EOC Manager.

Synopsis of interview

General Observations and Recommendations

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Emergency Operations Center/Incident Command/Unified Area Command Structure

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Data and Information Management

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